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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Continuation Application of:

Applicants : Mark Schmidt, et al.
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Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced Patent Application, please amend the same as follows:

AMENDMENT OF THE TITLE TO INVENTION:

Please amend the Title to Invention as follows:

-- AUTOMATICALLY-ACTIVATED LASER SCANNING 2D BAR CODE SYMBOL
READING SYSTEM--.

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph on Page 1 as follows:

RELATED CASES

The present application is a Continuation of Application No. 10/342,433 filed January 12, 2003 which is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of: Application No. 09/452,976 filed December 2, 1999; and Application No. 09/204,176, filed December 3, 1998, now Patent 6,283,375[; Copending Application No. 08/979,974, filed November 26, 1997, which is a Continuation of 08/690,677, filed July 31, 1996, now Patent No. 5,811,780, which is a Continuation of Application No. 08/476,069, filed June 7, 1995, now Patent No. 5,591,953, which is a Continuation of Application No. 08/147,833, filed November 4, 1993, now Patent No.